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DEATH.—At his residence, 18, Someside Terrace, of pneumonia, at 6 a.m. on September 1st, Dr. DA SILVA, late Council-General and Chargé d'Affaires for Portugal at Tokio.

The following reports were issued from the Observatory yesterday.—On the 31st at 7.30 p.m.—"On the 31st at 4 p.m. typhoon East of Bolinao." On the 1st at 10.30 a.m.—"Typhoon is at present moving Northwestward and probably approaching Babu, Chancal." At 10.47 a.m.—"Barometer falling quickly." Moderate N.W. wind, moderate weather. Weather fair. On the 1st at 12.15 p.m.—"Red Drum hoisted. At 4.20 p.m.—"Small typhoon in Southern Formosa. The weather prevails along the S.E. coast of China."

A correspondent of the Asian writes:—I came to India to make a fortune, but I have lost it all, and had an income of a thousand rupees a month, it was splendidly spent, and the Prince, for the disbursement, paid 150 yen.

To-morrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam liner *Douyeng*, carrying the British flag, will call at Amoy, and then hoisting code pennant C, to convey an order to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seaman's) Church, returning about 12.30.

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A. Koss will the other day issued a list of "light and reasonable summer literature," stated mercifully to be on sale at all book stores and Railway stations. One of the publications volumes was entitled "Silver and Mercury, with Graduated Scale showing as one White Metal fails the other rises, but not vice versa." With the thermometer at nearly 90 and exchange at less than 2s. 8d. it is refreshing to find any one who can raise a smile on the situation. A joke is decidedly more acceptable than Reuter's puzzling conundrums, which are conducive to headache if their solution be attempted. It is almost a matter of duty, however, for every one to keep himself posted on the currency question just at present, and it may assist to some reasonable interpretation of to-day's telegram if we give a resume of the preceding messages on the same subject. The telegrams received about the time that Congress reassembled and just afterwards appeared rather favourable to the white metal, and suggested that the silver party were stronger than had been supposed. Lately, however, the tendency has been all the other way. A telegram dated the 15th ult. stated that the opinion was gaining ground in Washington that an unconditional repeal of the Sherman Act was impossible and that a compromise was necessary, providing for free coinage at a ratio somewhere about 20 to 1. The next telegram, dated the 18th, stated that unequal debates were proceeding in both the Senate and the House of Representatives. Then came a telegram dated the 19th stating that the Finance Committee of the Senate had agreed to report in favour of a Bill repealing the Sherman Act, with the provision that the parity of the gold and silver dollar should be maintained, either by legislation or by an Inter-State agreement. This is the Shanghai reading of the telegram, the Hongkong reading being more obscure, but even the Shanghai reading is not very clear. We take the reference to the parity to mean that the value of the silver dollars already struck should be maintained, not that free coinage of silver dollars should be permitted. The next telegram was dated the 23rd and stated that a speech by Mr. Voorhees urging the repeal of what he referred to as the vicious Sherman Act had produced a deep impression in the Senate, he being a pronounced bimetallicist. On the 24th came a telegram in direct contradiction to that of the 18th and stating that the belief was gaining ground in Washington that the early report of the Sherman Act was correct in settling the bad metal.

The next telegram was dated the 25th and stated that the House of Representatives had passed the repeal of the Sherman Act and the prospects were increasing that the Senate would ultimately adopt a similar measure. On the 30th we were informed that the House of Representatives had rejected the amendments proposing free coinage. So far as the House is concerned, therefore, it would seem that it has committed itself to the gold standard pure and simple and the cessation of the monthly purchases of silver. Now comes a telegram informing us that the Senate has commenced the debate on Senator Voorhees' Bill repealing the Sherman Act. Similar action has been taken in the House of Representatives.

According to telegraphic advice received yesterday, our lead in the shares are steadily increasing in favour with home investors. The latest rate quoted is 2s.3d. and it is anticipated that in the near future this will probably advance to 2s.4d. It is very satisfactory for local investors to see their stock in favour in the great money centre.

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Mr. White deems that the Sherman Act has caused the present depression, and advocates an issue of bonds to provide against a deficit. He declares there would be a safe surplus of gold coin over silver in the Treasury.

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Many specimens of this plant showed the phenomenon, which, however, was seen on no other of the 15 or 20 kinds of plants in the country. It is supposed that some water from the general pool had been forced through the bark of the dead stem. The frost-word (*Baezaea Canescens*) is stated by Gray's Manual to behave in a similar way.

Potash is a mixture of salts, glycerine, and tannin, used after Potol. Its invigorator is said to be useful as a substitute for salts, and for a variety of other purposes.

A paper from which inkwriting may be erased with a moist sponge seems to have excited considerable apprehension in Germany, where it has not only been refused a patent but its manufacture and sale have been made unlawful. The product appears to be only ordinary paper, and is made of the same materials with the inkwriting paper mentioned above. After rolling, the pulp is immersed for a few seconds in concentrated sulphur acid diluted with 1/4 or 15 per cent. of water, and is then pressed between glass rollers, and passed successively through water, ammonia solution, and a second time through water. It is next entirely pressed by rolling, and is finally dried on rollers, of felt and heated metal.

Two curious examples of dust or molecular photographs have been noticed in *The Times*. The first is of a tea window, which it is said can be washed off with a cloth, and the second, showing the words "Coffee Room" in unfeated letters. On removing the screen the words were found to be plainly visible on the window, and could not be removed by washing. In the other case a window had been protected formerly by a coarse screen having the same words—“Coffee Room”—in gilt letters, and on many days the words had appeared on the glass since the final removal of the screen.

A railway employed in India has devised an ingenious cooler for cars. It consists of an apparatus for propelling air through the car, so that the air is drawn and a regulated adjustment which allows the compressed air to expand at intervals into the car, by which means the temperature is lowered to the point desired.

A plant, oily liquid, free from colour, taste, and smell, is now employed for giving a delicious appearance to roasted coffee. A German analyst finds it to be nothing but a highly purified petroleum oil, which must be considered as an illegitimate addition.

A cane produced in Germany carries an incandescent lamp in the handle. Battery plates are connected, and below them is a small chamber for fluid. To use the lamp, the cap is removed and the cane ignited, when light can be obtained for an hour.

CATARACH, HAY FEVER, CATARRHAL DISEASE.—A NEW HOME TREATMENT.—Suff rents are not generally aware that these diseases are contagious, or that they are due to the presence of living protists in the lining membranes of the nose and respiratory tract.

Microscopic research, however, has proved this to be a fact, and the result is that a simple remedy has been formulated whereby these distressing diseases are rapidly and permanently cured by a few simple applications made at home by the patient care in two weeks. A pamphlet explaining this new treatment is sent on application to Dr. H. HUTCHIN DIXON, 49, St. Paul's Street, Bloor St. TORONTO, Canada.—*Soleget American?*

ARE TIME BARGAINS ILLEGAL?

The old question whether “differences” on time bargains may be recovered in a court of law came up for decision before the Madras High Court lately in a case in which Rajah Edwards, Dass Divalanand and R. Venkata Subba Row to recover Rs. 7,109.50, due on a time bargain in respect of Government paper to be paid on 1st January, 1893. The claim was raised on three grounds:—(1) that the transactions were of the nature of gambling transactions and therefore void under section 30 of the Contract Act as being agreements by way of wager; (2) that the plaintiff failed to perform his part of the contract in making payment on the date agreed upon; and (3) that the defendant was at the instance of the parties to give or take total delivery of the promissory note, as he had purchased, and vice versa with respect to the note he had sold; and (3) that the suit is premature inasmuch as the plaintiff by special agreement allowed defendants 6 months’ time to pay up all losses. The court found that the first contention was well founded, and that the second contention was also well founded, but that the third was not.

The third contention was that it was over the initiation of the parties to give or take total delivery of Government paper but the understanding all along was that only the difference,

between the price of sale and of purchase, should be paid on settling day, in accordance with which it was arranged in this and other cases that the action of suit, or payment of damages, would be limited to the amount of the sum due.

Mr Justice Davies said the defendants should establish this the law is clear that it would be a wrong transaction, and therefore not enforceable as between the parties to it. A wager is well defined as a promise to give money or money’s worth on the determination of the issue of a game, and in this case the parties had agreed that the uncertain aspect of the sale condition of their contract (Arson’s Peninsula of Law of Contracts, 6th Edition, p. 183). Now a contract in terms for the sale and delivery of goods at a certain time, but upon the understanding that it is not to be carried out and only the difference of the price paid, is a “wagering contract” as Mr. Justice Lindsey said in Thacker v. Hardy, “a time bargain in the sense of an unenforceable bargain.” There is, therefore, no doubt about the law.

THE PREHISTORIC MAN.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., 23rd July. This country boasts of a unique specimen of humanity, which those posted on such subjects say exhibits the peculiar freak of nature, having after centuries of dovel pastet remained a prostrate man. The being is the size of a child, and is very weak. He is now in his 20th year, and is a veritable plant, measuring nearly seven feet in height. His body is covered with shaggy growth of red and warty hair like the coat of an unkempt Newfoundland dog, while the face with its sunken eyes, porous nose, and thin lips, gives an air of intelligence, rather than the canine of an orang-outang, and the arms, like that animal’s, long and reaching nearly to the knee, are furnished with formidable nails curving into claws of three and four inches in length. The creature’s huge gaping mouth is hideous with long sharp, canine teeth, with which it tears food, and it is armed with a set of sharp, sickle-like fangs, which it bites himself. This he does by actually running down rabbits, or snaring them by waiting at their hiding place with the vigilance and cunning of a snake; chickens also, with small vermin such as weasels, moles and the like, form part of his diet. The man with his wife and child, bear a load of 100 lbs. from his back, cuts the raw and still bleeding flesh. This monster is said to be very timid, climbing the nearest tree with griffins of fear, or is off to some one of his haunts which are known to no one.

A gentleman of the community tells of seeing the creature springing out of a corner, which had stolen from a cornfield, and, seizing the animal by the neck, wrenches the head from the body. Then, wrenching down his heart, he still open, took out the brains, and devoured them with the relish of one enjoying a rare meal. Through the night the human

can sometimes be caught in a village of, swinging him from tree to another, so that he has never been known to utter an intelligent word, but in his play will give vent to shrieks of delight, like an overgrown child, or when exult will growl and snap, and, if seriously interfered with, throw himself about with fits of rage. The tail is very long, and the hindquarters of a horse, with which she threatens him, the tail not daring to bite it.

The creature will shrink away at sight of the white whimpering like a frightened child. His greatest pleasure seems to be to have his nostril scratch his head, along the spine, and, if seriously interfered with, throw himself about with fits of rage. The tail is very long, and the hindquarters of a horse, with which she threatens him, the tail not daring to bite it.

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